for andwering the question papers in the departmental or promotion examinations, making arrangements for imparting professional in-service training in Hindi and provision of various types of incentives for promoting the use of Hindi.

Tenders for Tourism Publications

3243. SHRI KANAKSINH MOHANSINH MANGROIA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased ot state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Department of Tourism have printed|published a large number of brochures|pamphlets| house-magazines during the last two years;

(b) if so, what are the details of these publications, amount spent on each of the publications, names of printers| printing press etc;

(c) whether tenders for printing|publishing these publications were invited and if so, the names of parties who have participated in the tenders with their quotations; and

(d) what are the details of publications printed by the Department of Tourism for the State Tourism Development Corporations with the details of organisations entrusted the job of printing, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The information is being compiled and will be laid on the table of the sabha.

Increase of operational cost of Indian Airlines and Air India

3244. SHRI CHIMANBHAI HARIBHAI SHUKLA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the cost of operations of Indian Airlines and Air India has been increasing during the last few years;

(b) if so, the break-up of this increase in cost since 1989-90 item-wise and year-wise;

(c) whether any efforts have been made by the Indian Airlines and Air India to reduce its cost of operations; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Indian Airlines has taken several steps to reduce cost of operations like reduction in capacity from unproftable routes and redeployment of surplus capacity on more profitable routes; curtailment in fuel expenditure by importing fuel with special import licence under the new liberalised economic policy of the Government; frequent preflight checks to avoid wastage on food upliftment and catering items and reduction in overtime, wherever possible.

Air India exercises strict budgetary control and monitors all items of expenditure to achieve savings. Operations Department of Air India has increased crew training on simulator. fuel conservation measures have been adopted on a continuous basis.

वायुदूत और इंडियन एयर लाइंस का विलय

3245. श्री महेश्वर सिंह : क्या नागर विमानन और पर्यटन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या इंडियन एयरलाइंस और वायुदूत का पूरी तरह विलय हो गया है ;